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RED SOX TO  
CARRY ONLY  
23 TO SOUTH

Boston, Jan. 12.—While every big league manager in the country is trying to solve the question as to just what players are to be taken on the training trip and the future disposition of those recruits who will be unavailable for their respective clubs this season, Manager Carrigan of the Red Sox, one of the few lucky leaders, will find this proposition rather simple one.

McGraw has started already to try and weed his roster of 50-odd players down to one that will make it easy for him to conform to the big cut ordered by the National league fathers at their December meeting. Fred Clarke has troubles of his own along the same line and other managers in both organizations will have to hustle in order to keep within the limit.

For the past week, however, Manager Carrigan, in almost daily conference with President Lannan, Donovan and McGraw, and Secretary Flannigan of the Providence club, has been deciding the fate of those players who at the present time lack class enough to be taken on the pilgrimage to Hartford.

The Boston American league squad now numbers something like 31 players and while the American league managers will hardly decide to make so sweeping a reduction in their squads as did the National league owners, it is more than probable that not more than 23 men will be upon any one payroll after the month of May.

On the Boston American payroll four catchers are already listed. Of these four, only one man has failed to come to terms with the club. This is Chester Thomas, who is not under contract, and according to the club and easy methods in vogue since the Federalists came into existence, could make the trip now without rendering anything legally liable.

It is hardly possible that both Thomas and Pratt will be taken to Hot Springs. One of these men is scheduled to join the Providence club and Thomas will undoubtedly be secured with his ultimatum very shortly. Should he agree to Manager Carrigan's terms, he will be given the preference over Pratt on the ground of his big league experience, and thus afforded an opportunity to make a bid for the American league pennant and a share of the prospective prize money; but if he persists on holding out, the Red Sox management will give him scant consideration.

Manager Carrigan figures that Pratt has the makings of a splendid catcher, and he may devote a good deal of his time to the development of this youngster.

With 10 pitchers on his staff, and the prospect of being forced to make an ultimate reduction to seven, Manager Carrigan, with completely adequate to take the string to the training camp. It is already conceded that Leonard, Wood, Collins, Shore, Foster and perhaps Gregg are sure of their jobs for the coming season. The men who may be cut are Ruth, Cooper and Scott, who fight it out between themselves for the other berth.

No less than 16 infielders are candidates for Red Sox berths. Donovan, Gardner and Scott with Healy Wagner, will be given the preference, and the chances are that Gainer will stick.

Catterson and Brannon have very little chance of remaining with the Sox and will probably be traded to Providence.

There are seven candidates for the outfield, and while the three regulars, Evers, Egan and Scott, form a trio that is very apt to hold the outfield down just as they have for years, there are a couple of new aspirants who will thrust themselves into consideration. These will undoubtedly go to New York, and Henderson will remain in his old role of pinch hitter.

There will be a conference over Shorten on account of his greater experience. Shorten is a very fast man, and as speed is wanted by the Red Sox he will go to the wire on even terms with the Providence man.

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## Federal President Claims Yankees Can't Get Kauff

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BRIDGEPORT TRIES TO SELL  
BOWMAN; WON'T TRADE CROOK  
Federals Declare New York Americans  
Won't Get Outfielder Benny  
Kauff

(By Wagner.)

According to gossip heard at the Eastern association meeting yesterday, the Bridgeport club is anxious to sell Eddie Evers, Buster Bowman. The fast infielder was sold to the Troy club last year but returned to Bridgeport because Troy did not pay for him. The former Bridgeport manager, Evers, was reported to be at the meeting yesterday. Manager Zeller of Pittsburgh offered to trade Catcher Eddie Bridges for Catcher George Crook of Bridgeport. Secretary Reddy refused to listen to this proposition. He says Crook is more of a hustler than Bridges.

President Gilmore of the Federal League declares the New York Americans have no chance to land Benny Kauff from the outlaws. He claims Benny has signed a two year contract with the ten day release clause eliminated. The Yankees are very anxious to get the former New York Giants, and as he was on their payroll at one time they have been given permission by organized baseball to go after him.

The color scheme of the Giants' uniforms next season will be red and black. The sweaters and machine coats will be black with red trimmings.

Former Champion Willie Ritchie has accepted an offer to meet Freddie Welsh, the present title holder. The bout is scheduled to take place in New York about February 9.

Manager Gene McCann of the New London club may not trade Catcher Evers after all. It was reported that the veteran would have to go because he threw the Planters down in the post season series. But McCann cannot arrange a satisfactory trade for Evers. Third Baseman Marhefka has been signed for another season and McCann intends to carry Joe Briggs next year. He will have White and Senno last year with Bridgeport in the outfield. First Baseman Quinn has been signed. Pitcher Green will probably keep his job, although he was mixed up in that Sunday game which made Owner Plant indignant. It is said that Green has been excused because of his youth and inexperience.

The Cleveland Americans have handed releases to all the Waterbury players except Pitchers Frost and Horvill. They will be given jobs in the American Association.

Mike Doherty and Hugh Bedford are anxious to get positions on the Eastern association umpire staff. They were seen in the lobby at the Hotel Garde yesterday trying to get on the right side of the magnates.

The Yale and Pennsylvania basketball teams will play to-night in the Yale gymnasium. The Quakers have a good team and Bobby Stow's players will get a good tryout.

In the suit brought against organized baseball by the Federals the outlaws relate the incident about Pitcher Booth Hopper being traded for a dog. Hopper is the former New Haven pitcher. It is said that when Hopper was with the St. Louis Nationals, he was swapped by Manager Roger Bresnahan for a bird dog. Scott Dick Kinsella, the Giants' pitcher at that time, a manager in the Three I league, was the man who received Hopper in the trade.

The new owners believe it is a feather in their cap in saving Caldwell and Peckinpaugh from the Federal League. "Peck" was seriously considering a big offer from Joe Tinker of the Chicago Cubs when Donovan arrived on the scene and whispered persuasive conversation in Peckinpaugh's ear.

Peckinpaugh was one of the best fielding shortstops in both leagues last season. He had the enviable record of having taken part in 157 games without missing an inning. In the series with the Athletics in Philadelphia early in October last season Peckinpaugh split one of the fingers of his right hand, but he refused to leave the game, as he wanted to have a perfect record for the season.

Although the schedule called for only 154 games, Peckinpaugh played in two of the games and one postponed game, which brought the total to 157. Peckinpaugh acted as manager when Frank Chance resigned, and the team played vastly improved ball under his leadership.

The Presbyterian Bowling league will start tonight at the church alleys. Games will be played every Tuesday and Thursday night until the schedule is finished on March 18. There will be prizes offered for high single and high team scores. The teams will be composed of the following:

Bairds: Baird, captain, Abbott, Baird, Stetler, Roraback, Wakenam, McKenna, McKenna, Captain, Schell, Buck, Wadhams, Parry, Muirheads: Muirhead, captain, Barr, Roraback, Jr., Coley, Buck, Jr. Khebs: Kirk, captain, Hancock, Smith, Paul, Johnson.

Wilson: Wilson, captain, Smart, Griffith, Thomas, Hardy.

READVILLE RESTORED TO  
PLACE IN GRAND CIRCUIT

The annual meeting of the Grand Circuit was held in Detroit today when the stewards will allot dates and set upon the recommendations of President H. K. Devereux's special rules committee.

According to present plans Readville, which had been placed on more or less the schedule after a lapse of several years. Several other important changes will also take place.

As for two years past, the opening will be Cleveland's meeting on the track at North Randall on July 13 and Detroit will follow. There is a remote chance that the Grand Rapids meeting will not take place until September, in which event Kalumazoo will follow Detroit and then the invasion of the East will begin.

While it is clearly understood that Pittsburgh and Buffalo will not be members this year the Grand Circuit will be stronger in the East than for many years.

Quaker Park at Hartford will have its usual week of September 6, and the New York State Fair at Syracuse will have the Grand Circuit horses during the week of Sept. 13.

Lieutenant General Baron Nariagi Arisaka, a famous Japanese soldier and inventor of the new type of quick firing mountain gun bearing his name, died in Tokyo, aged 82.

WILL COMING  
BOXING SHOW  
BE POOR ONE?

Local boxing enthusiasts do not appear to be taking much interest in the show which is to be held next Monday night. The impression has circulated around that the card is a cheap one and for that reason the fans are showing reluctance in parting with their coin.

It has been a strange coincidence in past years that one or two good shows have invariably been followed by a collection of bad ones. Some think that after the two good shows recently staged in the Armory the promoter of the coming exhibition may try to hand the public a large quince.

Generally there is some talk heard before a bout regarding the merits of the boxers but at present the fans are keeping their money in their pockets and are speculating as to whether this show will be worth seeing. The public has been stung often enough.

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CLARKIN TELLS EASTERN MOGULS  
HE WON'T JUMP TO FEDERALS

League May Decide to Drop Waterbury and New Britain Clubs

New Haven, Jan. 12.—Fireworks were conspicuous by their absence at the meeting of the Eastern association directors, held at the Hotel Garde yesterday afternoon. Routine business occupied all of the time of the moguls, and instead of President O'Rourke instituting any formal charges against the members whose alleged kickings against the Federal league had caused quite a newspaper flare about the circuit, the meeting developed into one of the most peaceful ever attempted since the inception of the Eastern association.

April 28 and September 6 (Labor day) were decided upon as the dates for opening and closing, respectively. As a result of this action the 1915 schedule is automatically shortened one week over that of last season. The question of the New Britain and Waterbury franchises was brought up for discussion but no action taken. There was no information at hand as to whether or not the owners of the Waterbury franchise intended to continue in the league as the Brass City was represented.

This called for a delay in completing the circuit and the meeting was adjourned until next Monday, when the directors will definitely decide to continue as an eight club league or go back to the six-club plan. Indications point strongly to the elimination of Waterbury and New Britain, however. The schedule allows for 128 games with eight clubs against 120 with six clubs.

It was left to James H. Clarkin, owner of the Hartford club, to figure in the most startling development of the day. Although Clarkin retired from the meeting long before his fellow moguls he put across a well-prepared speech that would have put William Jennings Bryan to shame. Clarkin's words were in reference to his alleged dealing with the Federal league agents and the Hartford mogul took occasion to upset all of those wild reports by entering an emphatic denial of any treacherous act.

It had been reported from time to time in the newspapers that Clarkin was contemplating deserting the Eastern association in the interests of out-lawry. That he had never conferred with Federal league men and that the subject had never been given any thought until brought to his attention through newspapers, was Clarkin's surprising statement.

Clarkin went on record as being in favor of having the Eastern association "close shop" for one season, the introduction of this resolution was met with a polite throw-down. Several reasons, especially the hard times, were offered as an incentive for such action, but the directors merely laughed at Clarkin's scheme. President O'Rourke stated that the "territory" must be kept in "working order" and

the Hartford gentleman had nothing more to say.

The plan to play two games series in September, which was adopted without a dissenting vote and this was followed with a suggestion from Jack Zeller of the Pittsfield club, favoring the adoption of the split season idea. Although discussed at length there was no action taken.

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EDDIE MAHAN  
GETS BANQUET  
IN HOME TOWN

Cambridge, Jan. 12.—Captain Edward W. Mahan of the Harvard 1915 football team was honored by the citizens of Natick, his home town, with a monster banquet last night. Men prominent in all branches of sport were present to toast the latest person who has diverted the rays of fame from the city occupied by Natick. Although discussed at length there was no action taken.

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BLUE RIBBONS HOPE  
TO DEFEAT STAMFORD  
TOSSERS THIS EVENING

One of those grudge games you hear so much about but seldom see was staged at Colonial last night when the Blue Ribbons and Stamford basketball experts clash in the first of seven game series. Since George Smith and Jim Morrison chewed down the Ribbons and thereby lost their job with the local team, there has been considerable hard feeling between the Stamford stars and the local management. Therefore it is needless to say that the Stamford boys will try their hardest to down the Ribbons.

Manager Leavy has collected a strong aggregation, however, and expects to make the visitors work hard. With Capt. Beckman and Helen on the forward line the scoring will be well looked after. Leonard will have the tough job of facing Smith at center. Swenson or Clinton will have the assignment of guarding Morrison. Boxy Roach will play the other guard for the Ribbons. Wallum of Paterson is to referee and there will be a preliminary between the St. Augustine's and the picked team. Dancing will follow the big game.